

City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with 20th Annual Parade

Gaithersburg, MD (February 20, 2020) The City of Gaithersburg, in partnership with The Peterson Companies and Rio, will host the 20th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 14, 2020. The parade meanders down Grand Corner Avenue at Rio, located near I-370 and Washingtonian Boulevard. Following the parade there will be live entertainment on the Boardwalk Stage with "The Breakaways" until 2 p.m. Free parking is available in three garages along Washingtonian Boulevard.

Dozens of units will march in the parade, including Celtic dancers, bagpipe bands, school groups, clowns, fire trucks, equestrian units, service organizations, and more. This year's Grand Marshal is 2019 Distinguished Friend of Gaithersburg Mary Canapary. The parade will be emceed by Rob Hendrix from 94.7 The Drive – DC's Greatest Hits.

Community groups and other organizations are invited to march. This is a great way to be involved in the community and to get your group noticed. Participant application and agreement forms are <u>available here</u> on the City's website at <u>www.gaithersburgmd.gov</u>.

Please note that participation in the St. Patrick's Day Parade by groups or organizations other than City of Gaithersburg officials, departments or committees does not constitute City of Gaithersburg endorsement.

The St. Patrick's Day Parade is sponsored by Rio, 94.7 The Drive, and 106.7 The Fan. For more information, contact the City of Gaithersburg Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture at 301-258-6350.

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